

Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Directors

Lake Washington Improvement Association

Tuesday, July 20 ,2021

The July 2021 meeting of the board of Directors of the Lake Washington Improvement Association was held as an online meeting. President Jim Folden called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. The following board members were present: Mindy Annis, Harlan Bloomer, Lee Daby, Jason Femrite, Jerry Lucas, Jim Folden, Harlan Mehlhop, Greg Schwarck, Gary Gavin, Dan Sachau, Brenda Hennek. Non-board members attending Karen Wright, Greg Germscheid and Trisha Duncan as members.

Gambling Report

The July gambling report was presented by Harlan Mehlhop in absence of John Lamm. The net LOSS for the month from our six sites was -\$988.15. LWIA's share of the net GAIN for the month was \$814.04.

Cash on hand in our checking account at months end is \$70,262.27.

Vouchers for the month was \$131,704.53.

Some months our organization meeting is on the 20th or after. The manager needs approval to prepay any bills that come due on the 20th or before. Those bills will be reviewed at the regular meeting of LWIA.

The gambling fund needs approval for all checks listed on LG1004.

Vouchers numbered 6965 thru 7009 were presented for approval.

Lawful Purpose Expenditures: None.

A motion was made by directors Director Mehlhop and seconded by Director Gavin to approve all checks listed on LG1004, and to approve vouchers numbered 6965 thru 7009. A motion to approve the gambling report was made by Director Gavin and seconded by Director Hennek.

Regular Meeting

A motion was made by Director Schwarck to elect Greg Germscheid as a director for Area 5 second by Director Lucas. Motion carried.

Secretary's Report: Director Hennek presented the secretary's report for the month of June 2021. Directors Schwarck motioned and Director Lucas seconded to accept the June 2021 meeting minutes as presented.

Treasurer's Report: A motion to approve the expenses as listed was made by Director Schwarck and second by Director Bloomer. Motion carried. A motion to accept the treasure's report as presented was made by Director Schwarck second by Director Bloomer. Motion carried.

Public Forum: Karen Wright gave an update on the concrete slab lot 3556 Sioux Lane. Wright informed the board that a concrete driveway has been built on this lot. This concrete driveway was not approved by the Zoning and Planning commission. Wright spoke with Commissioner Stubbs and he has requested a letter on behalf of the LWIA Board requesting the concrete slab be removed.

Follow up letter to Marjory Johnson, Marjory is updating their property, resulting in a net reduction of impervious surface. President Folden will contact Marjory Johnson removing our objections to her project.

Committee Reports

Annual Meeting Committee

Director Bloomer stated that the LWIA would need to go by the CDC guidelines if we have annual meeting is to be held at the Patterson Campground. Director Lucas reported that there are no COVID restrictions to hold our annual meeting at Camp Patterson. Director Lucas made a motion to hold the annual meeting in person at Camp Patterson second by Director Sachau. Director Bloomer stated that Johnny B's will be catering the meal. The meal will include shredded chicken, shredded beef, potato salad, baked beans, brownie or cookie and water or soda at the cost of \$10. The price would also include the delivery of food and serving. The roll call motion passed with directors: Lucas, Hennek, Daby, Germscheid, Annis, Gavin Sachau, and Femrite voting in favor and directors Schwarck, Bloomer, Mehlhop, Folden voting against. Motion carried 8 yes, 4 nays.

Communications: Director Folden requested that the website be reviewed for correct phone numbers and board members.

Need to print directory: Director Femrite made a motion to go ahead with the electronic directory motion second by Director Bloomer. Motion carried 10 yes 2 nays.

Facebook: Trisha Duncan input a message about the Fertilizer Challenge.

Website: Director Annis stated that she contacted PC Dudes to give them director information to upload.

Email: Director Folden gave an update on emails received.

Waves: Director Sachau is working on the fall addition of the LWIA Waves.

Survey Update: Director Sachau stated that he has received a good response from the survey that went out. He will consolidate the information and give a report at the annual meeting.

Investment Committee: Director Gary Gavin stated that a \$125,000 certificate of deposit had matured in June 2021. The funds were deposited in Edwards Jones in a Money Market Account at .01%. At the recommendation of Director Gavin \$122,500 to Community Banks MMDA \$45,000 to Funds will be transfer by the end of this week. A motion to approve the recommendation of the Investment Committee was made by Director Hennek and second by Director Mehlhop. Motion Carried. Director Gavin also made a motion to authorize himself and Director Annis to open the account at Community Banks. Director Mehlhop made a motion second by Director Daby.

Water Quality Committee: Director Folden gave an update of the stream monitoring. Due to the lack of rain and water level only four water grab samples were made out of two sites. Per Bryan Spindler from MPCA it might be more useful to do suspended solids rather than Nitrate testing. The change has been made.

AIS Committee: Director Hennek stated that a new article was been written and will be posted on the website.

Old Business

3rd Party Data Management System: Director Sachau and Director Folden will gather information and report back to the board.

Porta-Potties at Boat Launches: Director Folden spoke with Craig Beckman of the DNR and he stated that he would be willing to leave the porta-potties out from Labor Day until the snow flies at a cost of \$160 a month per unit. Director Lucas made a motion to approve the cost of the extended (non-use snowy/icy weather) of the porta-potties. Second by Hennek. Motion carried.

Rain Garden Signs: The original price for the rain garden signs was A motion was made by Director Schwarck made a motion to approve and extra \$35 for the rain garden signs for a total of \$527. The motion was second by Director Bloomer. Motion carried.

Lights on the Corner: Director Mehlhop stated that this project is on a stand still due to lack of funds.

The Governors Fishing Opener: Director Mehlhop stated the event was to be held in Mankato in 2021. Trisha Visitors Bureau for Mankato Growth is on the board for this event and will keep the board informed. Director Mehlhop will be the representative for LWIA.

Channel Spraying at North end of Bakers Bay follow up: Director Hennek stated that the bay was sprayed on July 7. This opens the bay and more boat traffic. Director Bloomer made a motion to resend the original motion made in June for the spraying of the channel second by Director Hennek. Director Hennek made a motion to have the LWIA to pay the total amount of \$1,200 to cover the cost of the spraying of the channel second by Director Lucas. Motion carried.

Educational Signage at the County Park: Director Folden stated that the expense for the signs came in higher than what was estimated. Director Schwarck made a motion to approve the extra cost second by Director Bloomer. Motion carried.

Proposed changes to By-Laws Director: Director Schwarck made a motion to accept the language for Article III, Section 5 as present by Director Lucas motion second by Director Bloomer. Director Hennek asked that the word "however" be removed from the language presented. The roll call motion passed with directors Bloomer, Hennek, Daby, Annis, Mehlhop, Gremscheid, Gavin, Folden, Gavin and Femrite voting in favor and directors Lucas and Schwarck voting against. Motion carried 10 yes, 2 nays.

New Business

COVID Relief Money Available from Le Sueur County: Director Folden made a motion for up to \$1000 to make a rough draft for projects such as updating the Clinton pond, or restore the Baker wetland. Second by Director Mehlhop. Motion Carried.

Director Mehlhop is looking for new members for the Gambling Committee.

Director Lucas suggested that the committee members meet prior to the regular board meeting which would hopefully shorten the board meeting.

A motion was made and second to adjourn the meeting at 9:18 Director Daby second by Director Gavin.

Next meeting is August 17, 2021.